



Minutes of the
South Dakota State Emergency Response Commission Meeting
Conducted via the Digital Dakota Network

State Capitol Building
Pierre, SD

South Dakota State University
Brookings, SD

Rapid City Regional Hospital
Rapid City, SD

USDSU
Sioux Falls, SD

May 6, 2005

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Chairman Robert McGrath called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CDT.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert McGrath, Joe Nadenicek, Kristi Turman, Barb Telkamp, and Mike Durick.

COMMISSION MEMBER ABSENT: Al Christie.

OTHERS PRESENT: See attached attendance sheets.

INTRODUCTIONS: Participants at the DDN sites introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 28, 2005, MEETING: Motion by Turman, seconded by Durick, to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2005, South Dakota State Emergency Response Commission meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

LEPC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES: Nathan Solem reported that during the Title III Workshops in January he discussed HMEP grants.

Lee Ann Smith reported that in January 2005 the Title III workshops were conducted via the Digital Dakota Network at various sites across the state.

On April 25, 2005, Ms. Smith attended the Central South Dakota LEPC meeting. The LEPC had asked Ms. Smith for input on how it could be improved. Ms. Smith stated that this LEPC is a

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healthy organization and functioning well, however, the LEPC is having trouble getting involvement from local business facilities, which is a fairly common problem among LEPCs. Ms. Smith noted that the Central South Dakota LEPC needs to communicate with other LEPCs and with the State. This may be the case for other LEPCs as well. Ms. Smith recommended placing this matter on the program if the HazMat conference is held next year.

Kristi Turman said this could also be discussed at the annual Emergency Management Conference in September 2005.

Joe Nadenicek suggested that the SERC hold a meeting in conjunction with the Emergency Management Conference.

Lynn DeYoung, Minnehaha Emergency Management, stated that most of the Emergency Managers are involved in the LEPCs.

HMEP GRANT APPLICATION: Mr. Solem reported that a meeting was held in March 2005 with the Hazardous Materials Working Group to develop a policy statement to guide HMEP training grant funding decisions. A draft policy statement has been written from that meeting and will be finalized at the next working group meeting. The policy statement will be publicized to potential grant applicants.

Ms. Turman stated that the policy statement will be sent to the Hazardous Materials Working Group, the SERC members, and the members of the Emergency Management Issues Committee.

As of March 31, 2005, all but \$50.00 of the Planning Grant funds were obligated. Ten grants totaling \$49,516.64 were awarded.

As of March 31, 2005, all but about \$5,000 of the Training Grant funds were obligated. Forty-four grants totaling \$72,392.91 were awarded.

Mr. Solem noted that the grant application for FY 2005 was sent to the SERC members. He requested comments and/or corrections to the grant application.

The SERC members asked Mr. Salem to submit the grant application, which is due July 1, 2005. The next grant year runs from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006.

CERCLA GRANT: Mr. Solem reported that the Regional Response Team meeting was attended in January 2005. Training was received in web EOC, in-situ burning of oil spills, and the National Response plan. The remaining CERCLA grant funds will be used to send personnel to the next Regional Response Team meeting in Park City, Utah, June 22-23, 2005.

2005-2006 LEPC ROSTERS: Lee Ann Smith stated that there are 60 LEPCs in the state. Rosters were submitted by all but the following LEPCs: Aurora, Jackson, Jerauld, Miner, Shannon, Sully, and Todd.

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Ms. Smith said she has visited with and expects to receive rosters from Aurora, Jackson, and Miner LEPCs.

The Emergency Manager in Jerauld County intends to resign in July.

Ms. Smith said she reviewed the 53 rosters that were submitted and recommended the SERC accept the rosters. Ms. Smith will contact the five LEPCs that did not submit rosters and inform them that if they do not submit rosters, the SERC will appoint the County Commission, State's Attorney, Emergency Manager, and County Sheriff to serve as the LEPC.

Motion by Nadenicek, seconded by Turman, to accept the 53 rosters. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nadenicek, seconded by Durick, that if rosters are not submitted by Aurora, Jackson, Jerauld, Miner, Shannon, Sully, and Todd the SERC will appoint the County Commission, State's Attorney, Emergency Manager, and County Sheriff to serve as the LEPC. The appointment is effective until such time as a roster has been submitted and accepted by the SERC, and the chairman of the County Commission is designated as the chairman of the LEPC. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

TIER II PROGRAM REPORT: Ms. Smith reported that the Tier II forms were due by March 1, 2005. Tier II forms were received from 1,461 facilities. Tier II forms were not received from 125 facilities that submitted forms last year. Ms. Smith noted that the out of compliance rate of known facilities is less than 10%. The amount of fees collected so far is about \$97,000, which is about the same amount as last year.

OTHER BUSINESS: The next meeting is scheduled for July 29, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. CDT. The meeting will be held via the Digital Dakota Network at sites in Pierre, Rapid City, Brookings, and Sioux Falls.

Nathan Solem noted that regarding the HMEP grant, the federal administrator has informed him that there may be as much as a 70% increase in the grant funding starting with FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Chairman McGrath declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Robert B. McGrath 7/29/05
Chairman Date

Barbara Telkamp 7-29-05
Witness Date

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